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## In the Claims

56D1> 1. (currently amended) A method for controlling scanning devices using control sheets, comprising the method comprising:

starting an imaging job having multiple sheets, wherein at least one sheet is a control sheet;

locating a control image on a the control sheet within said imaging job, wherein the control sheet could be located anywhere within the imaging job;

processing control instructions from said control image; and

creating output in accordance with said control instructions.

2. (previously amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said imaging job is an image acquisition task.

3. (previously amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said imaging job is an image production task.

4. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is in machine-readable format.

5. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is text.

6. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is numbers.

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said method includes locating a second control image on a second control sheet for ~~that~~ the imaging job and processing ~~that~~ the second control image.

8. (currently amended) A method for controlling imaging devices using control sheets, the method comprising:

starting an imaging job having multiple sheets, wherein at least one sheet is a control sheet;

locating a control image on a the control sheet within said imaging job, wherein the control sheet could be located anywhere within the imaging job;

creating output for said imaging job; and  
processing control instructions from said control image and using said control  
instructions for managing said output.

9. (previously amended) The method as claimed in claim 8 wherein said imaging job is  
an image acquisition task.

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11. (previously amended) The method as claimed in claim 8 wherein said imaging job is  
an image production task.

12. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is in machine-readable  
format.

13. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is text.

14. (original) The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is numbers.

15. (currently amended) The method of claim 8 wherein said method includes locating a  
second control image on a second control sheet for ~~that~~ the imaging job and processing said  
second control image.